

Appl. No. 10/734,855  
Amdt. dated December 8, 2005  
Reply to Office action of September 30, 2005

#### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants have received the Office action dated September 30, 2005, in which the Examiner: (1) objected to claim 10; (2) rejected claims 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 12-14, 17, 18 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Richter (U.S. Pat. No. 6,149,319); (3) rejected claims 3, 6, 9, 15 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Richter; and (4) concluded that claims 2, 10, 11 and 16 contain allowable subject matter.

With this Response, Applicants have amended claims 1, 2, 8, 10, 14, 17 and canceled claim 16. The amendments largely focus on the limitations that the Examiner concluded were patentable. For the same reasons that the Examiner concluded that dependent claims 2, 10, 11, and 16 were allowable (if rewritten in independent form), the Examiner should readily agree that all pending claims are allowable.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. It is believed that no extensions of time or fees are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Hewlett-Packard Development Company's Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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